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Substitute House Bill No. 5542

House of Representatives, March 15, 2002

The Committee on Environment reported through REP. STRATTON of the 17th Dist., Chairperson of the Committee on the part of the House, that the substitute bill ought to pass.

#### AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRICAL SERVICE AT MARINAS.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives in General Assembly convened:

- Section 1. Section 16-19ff of the general statutes is repealed and the following is substituted in lieu thereof (*Effective October 1, 2002*):
- (a) Notwithstanding any provisions of the general statutes to the contrary, each electric company or electric distribution company shall allow the installation of submeters at a recreational campground, individual slips at marinas or in any other location as approved by the department and shall provide electricity to such campground at a rate no greater than the residential rate for the service territory in which the campground is located.
- 10 (b) The Department of Public Utility Control shall adopt 11 regulations, in accordance with the provisions of chapter 54, to carry 12 out the purposes of this section. Such regulations shall: (1) Require a 13 submetered customer to pay only his portion of the energy consumed,

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14 which cost shall not exceed the amount paid by the owner of the main 15 meter for such energy; (2) establish standards for the safe and proper 16 installation of submeters; (3) require that the ultimate services 17 delivered to a submetered customer are consistent with any service 18 requirements imposed upon the company; (4) establish standards for 19 the locations of submeters and may adopt any other provisions the 20 department deems necessary to carry out the purposes of this section 21 and section 16-19ee.

| This act shall take effect as follows: |                 |
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| Section 1                              | October 1, 2002 |

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### **OFA Fiscal Note**

State Impact: None

Municipal Impact: None

**Explanation** 

The bill concerns electric companies' approval of the installation of submeters and there is no fiscal impact for the Department of Public Utility Control.

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## **OLR Bill Analysis**

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#### AN ACT CONCERNING ELECTRICAL SERVICE AT MARINAS

#### SUMMARY:

This bill requires electric companies and electric distribution companies to permit the installation of submeters at individual marina boat slips. The law already permits submeters at recreational campgrounds and other locations the Department of Public Utility Control approves.

EFFECTIVE DATE: October 1, 2002

#### **BACKGROUND**

#### **Submeters**

Submetered consumers pay only for the electricity they use, rather than paying a portion of the amount billed to the owner of the main meter.

#### **COMMITTEE ACTION**

**Environment Committee** 

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